

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A lightweight nonwoven fabric having opposing surfaces, one of which is rich in antistatic agent and one of which has minimal antistatic agent, said fabric also being alcohol repellent.
2. The nonwoven fabric of claim 1 having a basis weight in the range of from about 34 gsm to about 88 gsm.
3. The nonwoven fabric of claim 1 wherein said opposing surfaces have a difference in demonstrated alcohol repellency of at least about 30% when exposed to isopropyl alcohol of varying concentrations.
4. The nonwoven of claim 3 wherein the surface rich in antistat is opposite the surface having higher alcohol repellency.
5. The nonwoven fabric of claim 2 wherein said opposing surfaces have a difference in demonstrated alcohol repellency of at least about 30% when exposed to isopropyl alcohol of varying concentrations.
6. The nonwoven fabric of claim 1 comprising a spunbond layer and a meltblown layer.
7. The nonwoven fabric of claim 6 comprising a meltblown layer between two spunbond layers.
8. The nonwoven fabric of claim 5 comprising a spunbond layer and a meltblown layer.
- 20 9. The nonwoven fabric of claim 6 having a hydrostatic head of at least about 50mB.
10. The nonwoven fabric of claim 7 having a hydrostatic head of at least about 50mB.
11. The nonwoven fabric of claim 8 having a hydrostatic head of at least about 50mB.
12. A process for treating a lightweight nonwoven fabric having opposing first and second surfaces, one of which is rich in antistatic agent and one of which has minimal antistatic agent,

said fabric having good barrier properties as measured by alcohol repellency, comprising the steps of:

applying an alcohol repellency treatment to a first or both of said surfaces, and in a separate step, applying an antistatic treatment to the second surface only of said fabric.

5 13. The process of claim 11 wherein the step of applying an antistatic treatment occurs prior to fully curing the alcohol repellency treatment.

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